Welcome

Business Meeting

Tuesday, September 1st

12pm - 3pm



Agenda

- Approval of Minutes
  Donna Law Award Dates
- Voting: Updated Chapter Logo
  Voting: Holiday Party Location
- Strategic Plan Update
  Vote: Donna Law Form
- CBIC update – Educational Program
  Conference & Treasurer Update
- Meeting Adjourned

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August Business Meeting Minutes

APIC ORANGE COUNTY

Association For Professionals In Infection Control Orange County Chapter 029

APIC Chapter 029 – Orange County is dedicated professional organization operating within the healthcare landscape of Orange County, California. Our fundamental purpose is to serve as a leader and indispensable resource in the specialized field of infection prevention, control and epidemiology within healthcare settings.

Board Meeting Minutes: 8/4/2026

Meeting Location: Virtual TEAMS meeting

	Agenda Item	Presenter	Minutes
1	**Call to Order**		

	Agenda		Agenda:
			• Approval of Minutes (Emily Barnard)
			  ○ Claudia Skinner Approved
			  ○ Lilian Ablir Seconded
			• President Report
			• Member at Large Year 2

2	**President Report**	Emily Barnard	• **HSPA Collaboration:** Board approved a joint Sterile Processing educational event on March 26th at BioSeal. Logistics regarding fees and membership benefits to be finalized in an upcoming meeting. • **CISHE Collaboration:** The Board moved to explore a social or cross-disciplinary educational event with the California Society of Healthcare Engineers (CISHE) to increase membership engagement and support "Chapter Excellence Award" goals. • **Inland Empire APIC:** Paul Minassi (IE APIC President) will present in September; will serve as a key point of contact for future cross-chapter efforts.

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			• **Holiday Planning:** December 1st is the target date for the holiday event. Budget set at $1,000; a small attendance fee (tentatively $10–$25) will be implemented to ensure accountability, with surplus funds donated to charity. • **Elections:** Board recruitment is underway. Nominations/Awards committee will distribute forms this week; ballots to be finalized in September. • **Past meetings and Speaker presentations:** Emily to check with Lois Parks if this will be liability issue; if not, Todd to set up link • **CIC Renewal Support:** The board discussed promoting board service as a way to earn IPUs toward CIC recertification to incentivize recruitment.
3	**Member at Large 2nd Year**	Stacie Fujimoto	• **Venue & Logistics:** Pavilion B is confirmed. Final parking payment due by August 14th. • **Food & Beverage:** "Nooners" approved as the catering vendor. Stacie and Gina to finalize breakfast/lunch options and costs by the next planning meeting. • **Speakers & Marketing:** Majority of speaker bios/CVs secured. Stacie and Emily to lead weekly social media "Speaker Highlights" starting immediately. • **Vendors:** Platinum/Premier spots are nearly sold out. Lindsay to contact high-tier vendors regarding potential tote bag sponsorships. • **Inventory:** The board is evaluating purchasing reusable event linens and a digital signage fan (3D hologram display) to replace recurring rental costs and enhance branding.
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6	Adjournment		Meeting adjourned

Next Board Meeting: 9/1/2026

Board & Committee Attendance		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
President	Emily Barnard	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	D	Y	Y				
President-Elect	Claudia Skinner	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y				
Treasurer	Gina Martinek	Y	Ab	Ab	Y	Ab	R	Y	Y				
Secretary	Michele Hom	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	K	Y	Y				
Member at Large Yr. 2	Stacie Fujimoto	Y	Ab	Y	Y	Y	National	Y	Y				
Member at Large Yr. 1	Vera Alfred	Y	Y	Ab	Y	Ab	A	Y	Y				
Webmaster Director	Todd Bloom	Y	Ab	Ab	Y	Ab	P	Y	Ab				
Vendor Liaison (OPT)	Lindsay Kincaid	Ab	Y	Y	Y	Ab	I	Y	Y				
Committee Member	Lilian Ablir	Y	Y	Ab	Y	Ab	C	Ab	Y				

Ab=notified absence from meeting

New Logo Submission to APIC

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INFECTION PREVENTION. EVERY PATIENT. EVERY TIME.

OC APIC New Logos

Logo B

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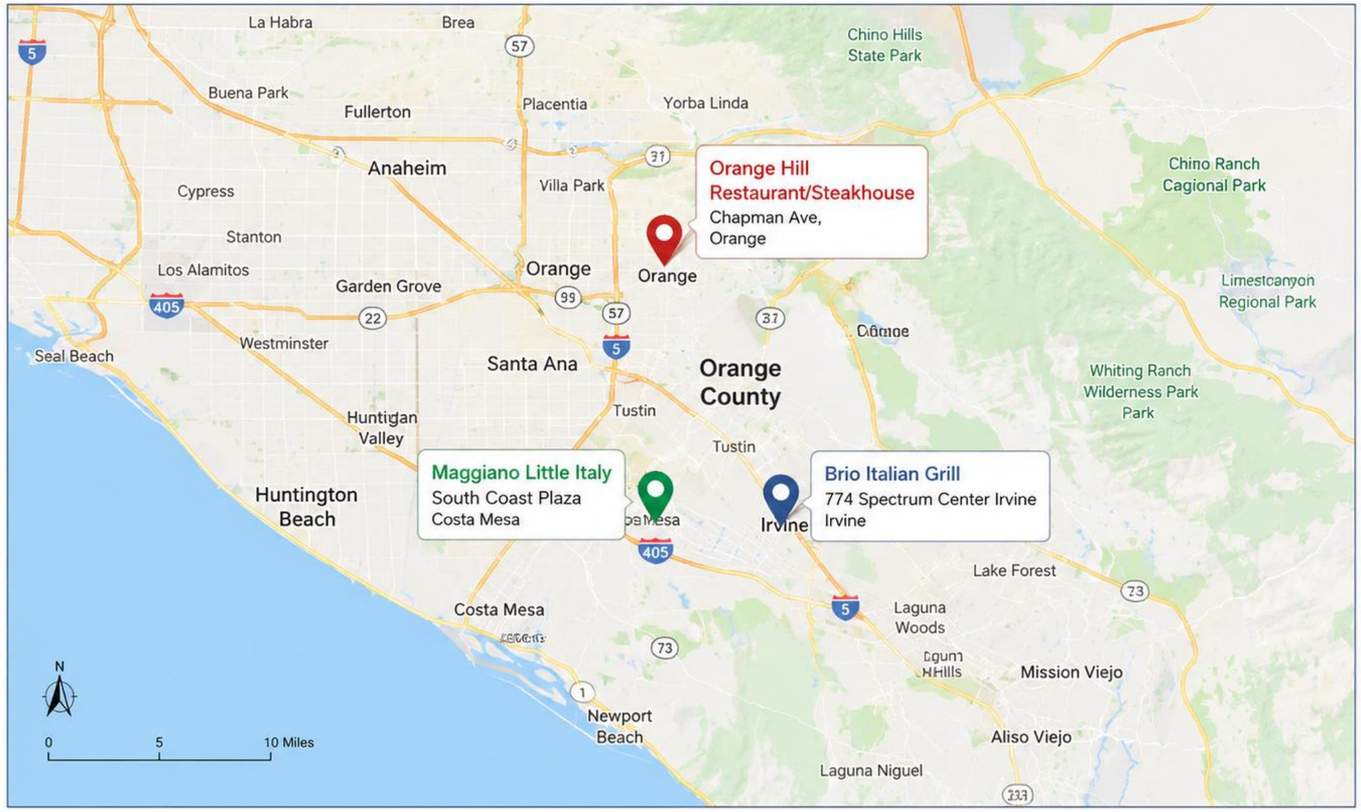
Open discussion:

- **Do we need to propose to the membership for vote?**
- **VOTE:**
  - **Logo A vs Logo B**
- **Motion to Approve ==>**
- **Second**

Holiday Party

Orange County, California

Restaurant Locations



Brio Italian Grill
774 Spectrum Center Irvine
Irvine

Maggiano Little Italy
South Coast Plaza
Costa Mesa

Orange Hill Restaurant/Steakhouse
Chapman Ave,
Orange

ORANGE COUNTY RESTAURANT OPTIONS

Event Details at a Glance



BRIO ITALIAN GRILL
IRVINE

- **TIME:** 2 hours
- **COST:** $1200 minimum
- **FOOD:** Elevated served apps
- **DIETARY OPTIONS:** Gluten free & Veggie options
- **DESSERT:** Petite buffet
- **AV:** Screen projector $125



ORANGE HILL RESTAURANT
ORANGE

- **TIME:** 3 hours
- **COST:** $1150 – $1300 minimum *based on location and time*
- **FOOD:** Plated
- **DIETARY OPTIONS:** Gluten free & Veggie options
- **AV:** Avail based on other parties



MAGGIANO'S LITTLE ITALY
COSTA MESA

- **TIME OPTIONS:** 3 – 6 PM **or** 7 – 10 PM
- **COST:** $1000 | $1200 minimum
- **FOOD:** $44 / person | $71 / person *Family-style or plated options*
- **AV:** $300

Three great venues. Excellent food. Memorable events.

Board Positions - Status

- 1 nomination for Secretary
- Possibility for Barley Chironda President-Elect
- President | President – Elect update
- Recruitment or position retainment



Strategic Plan

Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Provide on-going education, support and develop professional growth for the healthcare community.

- Offer high quality educational programs.
- Conduct an all day or half day educational seminar annually.
- Maintain the chapter website.
- Maintain a mentor program for new members.
- Promote related programs in infection control sponsored by California APIC Coordinating Council (CACC), National or community organizations.
- Support and encourage member's efforts to attain or maintain their certification in infection control.

Goal 2: Influence regulatory and legislative issues.

- Participate in CACC activities.
- Distribute information on pending legislation and other issues during chapter meetings.
- Participate in and provide feedback on new legislation in an informed and timely manner.

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Goal 3: Promote infection prevention practice in the community.

- Annually assess the need for participation in community projects related to infection prevention.
- Develop educational programs that would appeal to various healthcare disciplines.
- Provide forums for developing best practices in infection prevention.

Goal 4: Maintain financial health of the Chapter.

- Support the CACC joint ventures.
- Budget funds to promote education for chapter members.
- Explore opportunities to increase Chapter revenue.

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ORANGE COUNTY APIC STRATEGIC PLAN 2027 – 2030

Advancing Infection Prevention. Strengthening Our Community.



PROPOSED VISION

A connected, empowered healthcare community advancing infection prevention, patient safety, and professional excellence across Orange County and surrounding communities.

PROPOSED MISSION

To advance infection prevention through education, professional development, collaboration, certification, advocacy, and community engagement.



1 EDUCATE & DEVELOP

Build competency, professional growth, certification, and future IP expertise.

- Quality Education
- Professional Development
- Certification Advancement
- Mentorship & Leadership

2 CONNECT & COLLABORATE

Extend infection prevention across disciplines, settings, public health, and our communities.

- Partnerships
- Public Health Collaboration
- Interdisciplinary Engagement
- Evidence into Practice

3 ENGAGE & SUSTAIN

Grow membership, cultivate leaders, recognize excellence, and strengthen chapter sustainability.

- Membership Growth
- Member Engagement
- Leadership Development
- Sustainability & Stewardship

4 INFLUENCE & ADVANCE

Elevate the voice of infection prevention, advocate for change, and advance evidence-based practice and scholarship.

- Advocacy & Policy
- Communication & Visibility
- Research & Scholarship
- Impact & Recognition

STRONGER TOGETHER

Orange County APIC is committed to advancing infection prevention and patient safety through collaboration, leadership, and community.

OUR COMMITMENT

We are invested in our members, our communities, and a safer, healthier future for all.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT.

Be part of the change.

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ORANGE COUNTY APIC STRATEGIC PLAN 2026

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TODAY'S DATE
August 31, 2026

STRATEGIC PILLAR	GOAL	STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	SUGGESTED METRICS
1. EDUCATE & DEVELOP Build competency, professional growth, certification, and future IP expertise	Advance education, professional development, and certification to strengthen infection prevention competency across the healthcare continuum.	• Expand access to high-quality education through in-person, virtual, hybrid, and annual conference programming. • Reach adjacent healthcare communities across diverse settings and disciplines. • Develop professionals across the career span through mentorship, leadership development, and opportunities to publish and present. • Advance certification and recognize members achieving professional credentials. • Reduce barriers to professional development and participation.	• Number of educational events offered • Total CE/IPUs provided • Attendance (in-person, virtual, hybrid) • Disciplines and settings represented • Member certification rate and new certificants recognized • Mentorship and leadership program participation • Partner organizations engaged in education
2. CONNECT & COLLABORATE Extend infection prevention across disciplines, settings, public health, and communities	Strengthen infection prevention throughout Orange County by extending expertise, resources, partnerships, and evidence-based practices.	• Expand the reach of infection prevention across all healthcare environments. • Maintain strong partnerships with local public health agencies. • Build interdisciplinary collaboration with related healthcare organizations. • Translate evidence into practice with tools, resources, and practical solutions. • Increase recognition of IPs as essential partners in patient, workforce, and community safety.	• Number of partner organizations • Healthcare settings represented in programming • Interdisciplinary and cross-over educational events • Public health updates provided • Collaborative initiatives and joint projects • Community-facing education and resources distributed
3. ENGAGE & SUSTAIN Grow membership, cultivate leaders, recognize excellence, and strengthen chapter sustainability	Build an engaged, inclusive, and sustainable professional community that develops future infection prevention leaders and ensures the long-term strength of Orange County APIC.	• Grow and retain membership across career stages, settings, and disciplines. • Develop future leaders and clear pathways into chapter leadership. • Increase member engagement through networking, volunteering, and peer support. • Recognize excellence and celebrate achievements and contributions. • Strengthen organizational continuity, governance, and financial stewardship. • Measure and report chapter performance annually.	• Membership growth and retention rates • Meeting and event participation • Committee and volunteer participation • Leadership nominations and Board succession • Member recognition awards and acknowledgments • Annual financial performance and sustainability metrics
4. INFLUENCE & ADVANCE Elevate advocacy, visibility, evidence-based practice, and the voice of IP	Position Orange County APIC and infection prevention professionals as trusted leaders in patient safety, public health, quality, and evidence-based practice.	• Advance advocacy on legislative, regulatory, and accreditation issues. • Amplify the voice and visibility of infection prevention professionals. • Encourage scholarship, research, and dissemination of findings. • Strengthen communications through digital, social media, and publications. • Promote use of data, surveillance, and evidence-based interventions. • Collaborate regionally to address shared challenges and opportunities.	• Advocacy actions and communications issued • Media, social media, and newsletter engagement • Research, abstracts, posters, and publications produced • Data-informed initiatives and quality improvement projects • Regional collaborations and joint efforts • Recognition of chapter influence and impact

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2026 ORANGE COUNTY APIC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	President Elect	Secretary	Treasurer	Membership-at-Large YR1 (Education Director)	Membership-at-Large YR2 (Conference Director)	Webmaster
Emily Barnard	Claudia Skinner	Michele Hom	Gina Martinek	Vera Alfred	Stacie Fujimoto	Todd Bloom

OUR VALUES

INTEGRITY — We act with honesty, ethics, and professionalism.

COLLABORATION — We achieve more together through partnership and teamwork.

EXCELLENCE — We pursue quality, innovation, and continuous improvement.

INCLUSION — We embrace diversity, equity, and respect in all we do.

IMPACT — We advance patient safety and community well-being.

Donna Law Memorial Award

Nominations Status:
August 15st – September 1st

Open discussion:

- **One submission**
- **VOTE:**
  - **Extend Donna Law form through the conference vs End form?**

President Report

What APIC Chapters Need to Know About IPUs

*Infection Prevention Units (IPUs) & **Industry Partner** Involvement*

APIC
Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology

CHAPTER CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

If your chapter holds a conference, CBIC® certified attendees receive:

- 5 IPUs for a single-day event
- 10 IPUs for a multi-day event

Industry participation does not prevent attendees from earning the 5 or 10 IPUs for the conference. Industry may sponsor the event, pay for meals, exhibit, or provide separate promotional or product-focused sessions. Industry professionals may also be part of the program.

Promotional or product-focused sessions should be clearly identified as such.

STANDALONE EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

A standalone educational activity — such as a webinar, chapter meeting presentation, or other individual session earns 1 IPU per hour when it meets CBIC's requirements for scientific education.

Standalone sessions developed or presented by an Industry Partner must offer eligible accredited continuing education to earn IPUs. Funding or sponsorship alone does not trigger this requirement.

IN PRACTICE

Single-day chapter conference with exhibitors, sponsored lunches, or industry participation?	5 IPUs for the conference.
Two-day chapter conference with exhibitors, sponsored lunches, or industry participation?	10 IPUs for the conference.
Vendor product demonstration during a chapter conference?	Attendees still receive 5 or 10 IPUs for the conference. Clearly identify the product demonstration as promotional programming.
One-hour educational session developed or presented by an Industry Partner?	For attendees to receive 1 IPU, the activity must offer qualifying accredited continuing education.
Industry provides funding for a chapter educational session?	Funding or sponsorship alone does not trigger the accredited continuing education requirement.

DID YOU KNOW?

Chapter leaders — Presidents, Committee Chairs, Treasurers, and more — can earn 3 IPUs per year just for serving! Simply upload your appointment letter to your IPU portfolio, and you're all set.

THE EASIEST WAY TO REMEMBER

Chapter conference/workshop: 5 IPUs for one day • 10 IPUs for multiple days
Standalone session: 1 IPU/hour when eligible • Industry Partner sessions require accredited continuing education • Chapter leadership: 3 IPUs/year

Earning IPUs is simple — get involved, get educated, and get recognized!

*For example, ACC nursing continuing professional development contact hours. Other recognized healthcare continuing education systems may also exist.

Last Updated: August 31, 2026

Membership-at-Large YR2

Conference Registration Update

- 42 attendees – Goal 70
- 20 vendors – Goal 30
- Conference Bios, objectives, and documents received for all except Rebecca
  - Update?

Treasurer Report

- Metrex reimbursement for EK – in the mail
- Deferred until November

Scan to Check In

